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the bill to get it out according to law. I understand that now they are trying to write the rules and regulations to conform with they have already done and a mess, and I don't think this can happen. Those rules and regulations will probably be stymied. You said you had a bill coming in that would straighten out the mess. I would like to know what it is.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well, Senator Clark we have a group of people involved in hopefully writing some amendments that would shore up the bill. I think there is going to be some redefinitions. We also have another bill to approach it in a different way, Senator Bereuter's bill, which we are still addressing, 456, and looking at. There are a couple of possibilities. The Department is now working on rules and regulations. This payment will give us some breathing time for about 60 days, at least, in which to come up with some of the solutions. If we don't do that, if we don't do that, the special education program is going to fall apart and, if that is the desire, then we ought to move in that direction and quit playing little games with it.

SENATOR CLARK: Well, it may have fallen apart already as far as saying, I think, Senator Lewis, that actually when you are going to ask these school boards to do this again, I am afraid a lot of them will just throw up their hands and just say, it has been such a mess already. I am not going to do anything, and I grant you, they won't get any money. I don't think that helps the program.

SENATOR LEWIS: I don't know of any of them that are going to throw up their hands when they are that obligated, in terms of dollars, that they are anticipating receiving from the state for special services they have already provided.

PRESIDENT: 2 minutes, Senator Clark. Senator Clark, you have 2 minutes left. Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: I would like to pose about three questions and ask Senator Lewis for help in answering them, if he will? As I understand special education, Senator Lewis, we now have totally in this fund about 8.6 million dollars. We had about 10.3 but the Governor line item vetoed and cut it back to 8.6. Of this 8.6, we have spend to date about 3.3 million. Does that agree with your figures so far.

SENATOR LEWIS: That's exactly correct, Senator Marvel.

SENATOR MARVEL: So we have got about 5.2 left, after we have spent this 2, we would have 3.2.

SENATOR LEWIS: Correct.

SENATOR MARVEL: Would you anticipate that the 3.2 would pay for the balance of special education for the year?

SENATOR LEWIS: I don't think I am in the position to make that kind of judgment nor is anybody, as I figure it out because they are still trying to identify kids in about 400 districts. I would anticipate that we are probably going to be over that, somewhat, but that issue will have to be addressed in a deficiency appropriation and not, necessarily, this piece of legislation.